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<b>Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal</b>  Address to: MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	<b>Application Number</b>	09/613177
	<b>Filing Date</b>	July 10, 2000
	<b>First Named Inventor</b>	Kuber T. Sampath
	<b>Art Unit</b>	1637
	<b>Examiner Name</b>	J. N. Fredman
	<b>Attorney Docket No.</b>	JJJ-P02-540

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

ii. ☒ Other Amendment After Final Office Action filed February 6, 2004

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☒ Other Communication

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 18-1945

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) (\$385.00)

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) (\$420.00)

iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

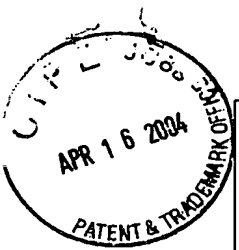
c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR  
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**COMMUNICATION**

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Dear Sir:

This communication is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Applicants would like to thank Examiner J. Fredman for granting an interview to the undersigned on March 31, 2004. As indicated in the interview summary mailed by the Office on April 1, 2004, the Examiner conceded that the amendment filed on February 6, 2004 fully addresses the currently cited references. Accordingly, applicants are filing the accompanying RCE requesting that said amendment be entered and respectfully request an allowance of the application.